

VZCZCXRO0576
RR RUEHMA RUEHPA
DE RUEHBP #0695 2131724
ZNR UUUUU ZZH
R 311724Z JUL 08
FM AMEMBASSY BAMAKO
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 9493
INFO RUEHZK/ECOWAS COLLECTIVE
RUEHAS/AMEMBASSY ALGIERS 0474

UNCLAS BAMAKO 000695

SENSITIVE
SIPDIS

E.O. 12958: N/A
TAGS: [KTFN](#) [EFIN](#) [PTER](#) [ETTC](#) [PREL](#) [PINR](#) [UNSC](#) [ML](#)
SUBJECT: MALI RESPONSE TO DESIGNATION OF
AL-QAIDA-AFFILIATED TERROR GROUP IN ALGERIA

REF: STATE 80175

(SBU) Charge d'Affaires delivered information in reftel to Al-Maamoun Baba Lamine Keita, the Secretary General at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, on July 31. The Charge d'Affaires noted that at least two of the individuals listed were believed to be using northern Mali as a safe-haven. Keita thanked the Embassy for the information and said he would share it with Mali's newly formed Inter-ministerial Commission Against Terrorism. This Commission is led by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and includes senior representatives from the Ministries of Security, Territorial Administration, Finance, Justice and Defense. Keita said the Commission's inaugural meeting would occur next week. The addition of individuals who are using northern Mali as a safe-haven to the UN Security Council 1267 Sanctions Committee's list of those subject to targeted sanctions will likely figure as one of the key agenda items for the Commission's first meeting.
LEONARD